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COMMEMORATION

OF THE

Semi-centennial Anniversary

OF THE

HISTORICAL DEPARTMENT

OF

THE ESSEX INSTITUTE,

Friday, April 21, 1871.

The Salem Press.

HYMN.

BY JONES VERY.

Amid the swift, onrushing years,
We hear a voice, that bids us stay;
Back to the storied Past we turn,
And reverently its call obey.

For not dissevered, weak, alone,
Do we amid the Present live;
But to our lives the by-gone days
Their knowledge and their virtues give.

Made wise by wisdom of the Past,
We for the Future shall prepare;
Sharing our Fathers' noble aims,
We shall their fame and glory share.

But soon forgotten, or destroyed,
The records of that early age;
Had not their sons, with loving care,
Memorials left for History's page.

Honor we give to those, who here
Recorded for our use their lore;
Whose names and virtues we revere,
Though seen with us their forms no more!

Inspired by their example high,
May we their chosen path pursue;
Alike to Present, and to Past,
In all our thoughts and acts be true.

ORDER OF EXERCISES

AT THE

ROOMS OF THE ESSEX INSTITUTE AT 3 1-2 P. M.

PRAYER

By the Reverend E. S. ATWOOD.

Introductory Remarks by the President of the Institute.

HYMN.

ADDRESS

By ABNER C. GOODELL, Jr., Vice President of the Historical Department.

Selections by the Choir.

REMARKS ARE EXPECTED FROM SEVERAL GENTLEMEN.

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EVENING.

Conversazione at Plummer Hall,

8 O'CLOCK.

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